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REMARKS

The claims have been amended to emphasize that the previously used term "waiting time" refers to the lamella stacking time. A description of lamella stacking time can be found in the specification at least at page 3, lines 19-35, which set forth the procedure for gluing and assembling a "pile or stack" of lamellas.

The claims also now refer to "laminated beams." Support for this feature can be found in the specification at least on page 7 et seq., setting forth examples of a "construction beam" manufactured by assembling lamellas.

Favorable consideration on the merits is requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees associated with this communication and during the pendency of the application under 37 CFR 1.16 and 37 CFR 1.17 or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501348. This sheet is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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